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STAND TO LOSE ENGLAND TRADE

Depreciation of Pound Sterling Reaches Low Level--Consternation in Business World

NEW YORK, Aug. 31.—Foreign exchange rates reached their most serious stage today with an overnight break of 2½ cents in sterling, the English pound selling to this market at \$4.68½, close to the mark where cartilidge of big foreign orders in the United States would follow in the opinion of bankers here.

Nothing like the violent break in quotations had ever been recorded before exchange markets here before. Foodstuffs, manufactured goods, and many other products, in fact, almost everything except actual munitions of war, were embraced within this category.

The big break means that English buyers in addition to the top of the market price already paid to them in this country for American products, are called upon to pay a premium of 2½ cents on every pound's worth of purchases, or more than five per cent. With London carrying this enormous burden something new to British bankers, as English money has for generations been the world's standard of international finance, the question discussed in banking circles here today was how long Great Britain could continue to buy her supplies as she was not compelled to buy hers.

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PARENTS RENEW FIGHT FOR GIRL

Little Evelyn Lilly Is Bone of Contention in Legal Battle in District Court Now

THE struggle for the possession of Little Evelyn Lilly was renewed in District Judge Oldfield's court Tuesday when attorneys for P. J. Matthews presented a motion to vacate the judgment giving the child to its father, and petitioned the court to give custody to the stepfather, Matthews.

The case, which has been in the court here numerous times, presents some novel phases. The parents of the little girl separated when she was three years old, Agnes V. Lilly, the mother, securing a divorce from Jess E. Lilly. Both the mother and father remarried, the child still remaining with the mother. In July, however, the mother died, and then the father sought to gain custody of the child, and succeeded, in getting a court order vacating the deceased mother's custody of the child and giving her to the father.

According to the petition filed Tuesday morning, it is claimed that it was the dying wish of the mother that the stepfather keep the child. It is also alleged that neither the father nor his wife are fit persons to take the child, and that she has no desire to leave her present home.

Many witnesses from Pine Valley, where the case originated, are present to testify in the case, which will probably take all of the court's time Tuesday and Wednesday.

D'ANNUNZIO'S DASH

Poet Makes Third Air Visitation to Scene of Hostilities Between Austria and Italy—Flies Over Trieste

VENICE, Aug. 31.—Gabriele D'Annunzio, the Italian poet who twice has flown over the Austrian city of Trieste since the beginning of hostilities between Italy and Austria, on one occasion narrowly escaping death by sheer luck, was showering leaflets upon the populace, has made his third aeroplane dash over Trieste. It was learned today.

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600 Babies in Annual Parade



At the annual baby pageant in Madison, N. J., Monday night, 600 babies were held by their mothers.

ASBURY PARK, N. J., Aug. 31.—More than 600 babies in fancy costumes and in decorated floats paraded in review before Miss Mildred Morgan, of Indianapolis, who is Queen Thalia XXV. She was the chief person in the day's outdoor fun at the Jersey shore.

In the line were many nurses, Miss Williams, suffragettes, beauties and other local costume.

SUBMARINE JOY RIDE

Senator Tillman Tastes Thrill by Descending in U. S. Submarine

NEW YORK, Aug. 31.—United States Senator B. R. Tillman of South Carolina, chairman of the Senate committee on naval affairs, returned to Washington today after spending a day at the Brooklyn navy yards. He visited the submarine U. S., which will use the new Edison batteries and inspect the new devices on the K-6 boats were submerged on the K-6.

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LARGE STEAMER WRECKED

Mass of Wreckage Reported By Boat Off Jamaica

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Aug. 31.—A vessel that has arrived at this port of ports passing a mass of wreckage between the Cumanan Islands and Jamaica. The wreckage was believed to be that of a large steamer, but means of identification were lacking.

Following the acceptance of his resignation President Page presented his resignation to the state board of education, to become effective October 1. A committee was appointed to investigate charges against Julian and his conduct of the school which recently appeared in the Tribune, a newspaper in the city.

Julian, who is the president of the school, was accused by his attorney, Moran Prager, went to the latter's office and are taking affidavits upon which will be based an application to County Attorney Ender for warrants for the arrest of several persons, some in the city and some connected with the Langston school, charging them with extorting him.

The detailed work that has been done to litigate Julian Page, who lately one of the oldest Negro educators in the nation, may be charged to a group of Negro Democrats who want to get rid of him in order that some of them may succeed him at Langston, said Prager.

The publication in the Tribune alleged that Julian, an immovable of the worst sort, obtained at the school of which Page is the head,

1915 Establishes Record for Cool Eighth Month--Also Freakish as to Rains

THE low temperature of Monday night, 51.4, means that a new monthly average record for low temperature will be established for August, according to the local weather bureau. The lowest average temperature for the month on record was in 1895, when the mercury established a mean temperature of 56.2. The average for the past 25 years is 58. While the official record of this month will not be completed until Wednesday, the weather director reported that this August would average several degrees below the record year of 1892, probably around the 50 mark.

Last year the mean monthly temperature was 79.6. In 1913 the highest monthly temperature record for August, 84.8, was established. In 1912 it again dropped to 79.5. In 1911 it averaged 80.6, in 1910 80.8, in 1909 81.0, and in 1908 79.2.

In precipitation also has August far surpassed the normal. The rainfall to date has been 5.26 inches, while the normal to this date for the month is 2.78. This is the highest rainfall for the month since 1906, when all August records were broken, with a precipitation of 9.34 inches. Last year the rainfall for the month was 2.76. In 1913, 5.7; in 1912, 3.61; in 1910, 3.08; in 1909, 1.42; in 1908, 1.59; and in 1907, .80.

The precipitation for the year is now 30.82 inches, over seven inches above normal. The average up to this date for the year is 23.00 inches. No frost was reported in the state last night, and the weather report indicates that the cold wave is passing east, and that several weeks of warm weather will now ensue.

CHICAGO, Aug. 31.—Today marks the passing of the coldest, wettest and most uncomfortable August Chicago has ever experienced. June and July were below normal and June was 2.5 degrees with August 4.4 degrees under the average.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 31.—Summer's coldest weather was spread today over the northern part of the country from Rocky Mountain to the Atlantic and southward well into the gulf states. Warner weather is in prospect for tomorrow.

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